



State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

Elizabeth Burmaster, State Superintendent

July 10, 2006

Dear Friend of Rural Wisconsin:

I am pleased to open nominations for the "2006 Standing Up for Rural Wisconsin" awards program. We are seeking nominations from school-library-community partnerships that advance and celebrate rural life.

This awards program was initially held in March 2005 when eight schools and communities were recognized for exemplary programs. Because of its great success and the interest generated, the recognition will continue. This year's program will be held on Friday, October 20, 2006, in a special awards program to be held in the State Capitol.

Wisconsin's rural areas are alive, healthy and vibrant. While available public resources are limited, there are no limits on the enthusiasm, drive and energy that is emanating from rural areas all across the state.

The nomination requirements are described in greater detail in the attached materials. Please note the August 31, 2006 deadline for submission. We hope that individuals from across the state take the time to nominate programs worthy of recognition.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Burmaster
State Superintendent

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Standing Up for Rural Wisconsin

Application Deadline: August 31, 2006, by email or hard copy
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Note: The nominated program must be undertaken by the public school(s) and/or public library (ies) and in concert with a rural community group or organization.

Nomination Information – Standing Up for Rural Wisconsin Elizabeth Burmaster, Wisconsin State Superintendent	
Nomination Submitted by	
Person(s) Nominating	
Title(s)	
Mailing Address(es) (include city and zip code)	
Telephone Number(s)	
Email address(es)	
Regarding the Organization Nominated for Recognition	
Name or Title of the Program, Initiative or Activity	
Brief Description of the Project (2 or 3 paragraphs)	
Primary Contact from the Organization/Community	
Mailing Address(es)	
Telephone Number(s)	
Email Address(es)	
Brief Statement in Support of the Nomination (Why Is This Effort Significant?)	
Names of Other Involved Organizations, School Districts, Libraries, etc.	